THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE N.V.RAMANA

Writ Petition No.12265 of 2006

Dated:20th June, 2006

Between:

A.Venkateshwar Rao.

…..PETITIONER

AND

The Regional Manager, A.P.S.R.T.C.,
Khammam Region, Khammam District
and others.

….RESPONDENTS

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ORDER:

The petitioner is assailing the proceedings of the 3rd respondent in No.1/114(8)/2003-BCM, dated 31-1-2004 imposing a punishment of reduction of pay by two incremental stages with cumulative effect besides treating the suspension period as not on duty.

It is the case of the petitioner that he is a driver in the respondent corporation. On 17-9-2003, when he is performing his duty on route PRK to Kukatpally, the public who were traveling in the bus lodged a false complaint against him, basing on which two charges were framed, for which the petitioner submitted explanation. The 3rd respondent without considering the explanation submitted by the petitioner, appointed an enquiry officer, who after enquiry made the petitioner guilty of the charges in the enquiry report dated 17-12-2003, and finally after issuing show-cause notice dated 22-12-2003, issued the impugned proceedings dated 31-1-2004, aggrieved by which the petitioner filed an appeal to the appellate authority on 4-2-2004, but the same has not been disposed of till today.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as also the learned Standing Counsel for A.P.S.R.T.C.

Against the impugned proceedings of the 3rd respondent dated

31-1-2004, the petitioner has filed appeal before the appellate authority on 4-2-2004, which was not disposed of till today. In the circumstances, the writ petition is disposed of with a direction as under:

The 2nd respondent/Divisional Manager, A.P.S.R.T.C., Khammam Division, Khammam District is directed to dispose of the appeal filed by the petitioner dated 4-2-2004, within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, in accordance with law. No costs.

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(N.V. RAMANA, J.)

Date:30th June, 2006.

GRK